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SUBJECT: PERUVIAN CUSTOMS CLEARANCE FOR JOINT II

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1. EMBASSY FREQUENTLY EXPERIENCES DELAYS IN OBTAINING AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF GOODS FROM PERUVIAN CUSTOMS, AND WE ARE CONSEQUENTLY NOT IN A POSITION TO GUARANTEE EXPEDITIOUS HANDLING FOR NCAR AIRCRAFT AND ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS. WE HAVE DISCUSSED MATTER WITH DR. DAVID ENFIELD, THE LIAISON OFFICER FOR JOINT II, PRESENTLY WORKING AT THE PERUVIAN MARINE INSTITUTE. ENFIELD IS CURRENTLY SOLICITING COOPERATION FROM INTERESTED PERUVIAN AGENCIES, PARTICULARLY IN REGARD TO OBTAINING ASSURANCES FROM PERUVIAN CUSTOMS THAT DELAYS BE REDUCED TO MAXIMUM EXTENT. UNFORTUNATELY, NEITHER OF THE PERUVIAN AGENCIES DIRECTLY INVOLVED, THE PERUVIAN MARINE INSTITUTE (IMARPE), OR THE HYDROGRAPHIC AND METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE (SENAMAHI) HAVE OFFERED TO DATE TO ASSIT ENFIELD IN OBTAINING CUSTOMS CLEARANCES. DR. ENFIELD EXPECTS TO HAVE COMPLETED DISCUSSIONS WITH BOTH AGENCIES NEXT WEEK AND IS HOPEFUL THAT HIS PERUVIAN COLLEAGUES MIGHT BE IN A POSITION TO OBTAIN COOPERATION FROM THEIR OWN CUSTOMS PEOPLE IN THIS REGARD. HE PLANS TO LET US KNOW THE STATUS OF DISCUSSIONS ASAP.

2. AT THIS JUNCTURE, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE COUNTER-
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PRODUCTIVE TO ATTEMPT TO INTERVENE DIRECTLY WITH CUSTOMS,

SINCE IT IS VERY UNLIKELY THAT THE LATTER WOULD BE WILLING
TO MAKE SPECIAL CONCESSIONS FOR US, IF THEY ARE NOT
WILLING TO DO SO FOR THEIR OWN SISTER AGENCIES. WE WILL,
OF COURSE, BE PLEASED TO FURNISH WHAT ASSISTANCE WE CAN.
IN THIS REGARD, PLEASE REQUEST NCAR TO FURNISH US
WITH FULL DESCRIPTION OF AIRCRAFT, INCLUDING TAIL
NUMBER, MANIFEST, AND COMPLETE LIST OF SUPPORT ITEMS.
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